



St Paul's Cathedral, Sale

St Alban's Kilmany, St Anne's Golden Beach & St Mark's Loch Sport

*We acknowledge the Gunaikurnai people as the original custodians of this region.
All churches of the parish stand on the lands of the Gunaikurnai people.*

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Cathedral Parish Vision: *"People of Christian faith –* **8th May 2022**
Encouraging connection between the Divine and the everyday. **4th Sunday of Easter**

Sentence of Scripture

The Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.

Revelation 7.17

The Prayer of the day

Gracious God,
you sent Jesus, the good shepherd,
to gather us together:
may we not wander from his flock,
but follow wherever he leads us,
listening for his voice
and staying near him,
until we are safely in your fold,
to live with you for ever;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Prayer for our new Dean

God of new beginnings, we give thanks
that Rev'd. Keren Terpstra has accepted
the invitation to be our next Dean.
Guide her by your Holy Spirit as she
prepares for new ministry in Sale.
Pour out your Spirit of generosity upon
the Cathedral Parish.
May we have warm, welcoming, patient
and accepting hearts, as we prepare for
this new chapter in the life of your
church in Sale.
We ask this in the name of our risen
Lord and Saviour Jesus the Christ.
Amen

Holy Communion Services at St Paul's:

Sundays - 8.00am and 10.00am **Wednesdays - 10.00am** in the Lady Chapel

Meditation in person: 4.15pm Mondays

Sunday **Healing Eucharist** 1st Sunday of the month @ 5pm

Evenings **Contemplative Service** 3rd Sunday of the month @ 5pm

Outcentre Services:

St Anne's Golden Beach 10.30am 1st Sunday 2.00pm 3rd Sunday of the month

St Alban's Kilmany 2.00pm 1st Sunday and 3rd Sunday of the month

St Mark's Loch Sport 10.30am 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month

TODAY

Associate Priest/Hospital Chaplain: Rev'd Heather Toms 0400 512 217

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Cathedral Organist: Anthony Hahn 0437 569 608

Cathedral Prayer Chain Requests

Please contact Naomi McDonald 5144 5922

The prayer chain is for anyone in need of prayer

Please pray for our supported student Hemirose Igo at Newton College PNG.

Sovereign God,

we pray for the nation of Ukraine, its leaders and people.

We pray that you would make your presence known to them at this time of strife.

We pray for their protection and for an end to the Russian invasion.

We pray for the innocent, the frightened, the dispossessed, and those who have lost loved ones, homes and family.

We pray that you would bless the endeavours of those who work for peace and an end to this conflict.

Have mercy, we pray, on Ukraine.

Also we elevate into your care those in NSW and Queensland suffering the devastation of flooding.

May your peace rule in the hearts and minds of all.

Continue to stir up the leaders of the world to work together for the good of all.

We pray this in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. **Amen.**

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside

him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner. *Acts 9.36-43*

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd:

therefore can I lack nothing.

He will make me lie down in green pastures:

and lead me beside still waters.

He will refresh my soul:

and guide me in right pathways for his name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil:

for you are with me, your rod and your staff comfort me.

You spread a table before me

in the face of those who trouble me:

you have anointed my head with oil,

and my cup shall be full.

Surely your goodness and loving-kindness

will follow me all the days of my life:

and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

A Reading from the Book of Revelations

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands.

They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God,

singing,

‘Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honour
and power and might
be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.’

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, ‘Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?’

I said to him, ‘Sir, you are the one that knows.’ Then he said to me, ‘These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;

for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.’ *Revelation 7.9-17*

Hear the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you Lord Jesus Christ.

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, ‘How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.’ Jesus answered, ‘I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand. The Father and I are one.’ *John 10.22-30*

For the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

Reflection on Gospel for the Fourth Sunday after Easter – John 10:22-30

We find Jesus on a Winters' Day walking in the portico of Solomon, an old and revered part of the Temple to celebrate the Feast of Dedication, (Hanukkah) a Jewish festival that commemorates the rededication of the Jewish Temple in 164bc. A crowd gathers and a question is posed regarding His identity. Tell us plainly if you are the Messiah. A sense of irritation, impatience and annoyance is implied. Tell us plainly. Jesus responds. You know the answer however you do not hear, see or understand. "The Father and I are one" – a relational unity is named that speaks clearly of the Divinity of Christ.

"My sheep hear my voice, I know them, and they follow me." (v.27). To hear His voice is to belong to Him, never to be snatched out of His Hands. What glorious commitment! Our covenantal relationship entered into in baptism means that we are never alone, for we are safely in God's love. This security rests in our being known by name and loved unconditionally. As the journey of our Christian life unfolds, we listen to and hear Jesus' way of being in the world. Such 'hearing' strengthens our connection with the source of eternal love. We consent to track with Jesus, to live the 'new age or way' that he so beautifully demonstrated and inaugurated in His life, death and Resurrection. Jesus' longing was not so much to rescue people 'out of the world' but to rescue the world itself, to replace disregard, exploitation, injustice, cruelty and indifference with one that sees other persons as holy, created and loved, that turns away from doing anything that dehumanizes another or ourselves. A way that transforms the created order.

Psalm 23 affirms the ever-present companionship of God. We can't avoid life's challenges, but we know that God is near and feels our pain and joy, our doubts, sorrows and anxieties, ever calling us back to where we belong, hence the value of repentance and renewal. The disciples scattered on Good Friday only to be restored and empowered by the Risen Christ. Connection with Jesus preceded their total belief, isn't this the same for us? When we consent to be in relationship with Him, heart and soul understanding grows and our belief alongside it.

May our lives in the Risen Christ continue to be transformed, individually and corporately.

Liam Matthews Locum Acting Dean.

The Installation and Induction of The Reverend Keren Terpstra as Dean of the Cathedral Church of St Paul is during the Synod Eucharist at St Paul's Cathedral, on Friday 17 June 2022 at 7.00pm. There will be a 'parish wide' service and lunch on Sunday 26th June.

We need to have **2 helpers to sell BBQ snags** (not cook) at the Lions BBQ in Raymond St Sale on each Saturday the 21st and 28th May. 9am to noon, or a half shift. Please see Christine if you can help.

On Thursday 12th May at 10-30 we have a **cuppa and chat**.

On Friday May 20th at 12-30 the **Wanderers** are meeting at Sporting Legends for lunch. Please let Jan Lear know if you would like to go to these events on 0421605461

Two volunteers needed for Open Cathedral, Saturdays

Are you keen to have the church open for visitors on Saturday afternoons? Some people come out of curiosity, to see an historical building and beautiful stained glass windows. Some are looking for a quiet place to sit.

There are always two people on together, from 2–4pm, when the water tower opposite is also open.

If we can find two more people to help, we may be able to keep opening. Does this sound like you? Like to know more? Contact Jan Down: 0405 812 518.

CATERING FOR SYNOD

The Synod (AGM) of the Anglican Diocese of Gippsland will take place in Sale at St Anne's campus of Gippsland Grammar on 17th, 18th and 19th June 2022.

We at the Cathedral are responsible for providing catering for 120 for the event on the 18th, and have enlisted the help of neighbouring parishes Maffra and Stratford, who will be covering morning and afternoon teas.

We are doing lunch at St Anne's Campus of the Grammar School (Lorna Sparrow Hall) and dinner at Delbridge Hall on the 18th.

As you can imagine this is a marathon task, and a major fund raiser for the Cathedral and we would like to have as many people involved as possible.

There are a number of ways you could be involved.

Pray for us! Help transport all the crockery, cutlery and such from the Cathedral to Lorna Sparrow Hall on Friday 17th May after 4pm.

Cook for lunch or dinner (see Ann Miller)

Volunteer in the kitchen to make sandwiches / serve / clean up (or all)

Volunteer in the kitchen to make dinner/serve/clean up

Set up for dinner at Delbridge hall on Saturday afternoon (tables to be moved and set) Transport all the necessary items back to Delbridge Hall

Manage waste Help with shopping.

If you are able to help with any of this, please let me know by: phone: 0427 445866 email: tarkaan@bigpond.com *Thank you Ann Miller*

‘Bricks’ money boxes. Many years ago we held a fundraiser originally called **St Paul’s Building Fund**, now nicknamed **‘Bricks’** (so not confused with **‘Fill the Gap’**) This was to offset our building loan we took to pay for the new hall and units to be built, and Annie Pain and the cathedral, renovated. With less than \$17,000 to go, it will be completely paid for by Christmas. If you would like to help pay this, so ALL rent profit from the old deanery and 2 units can go towards our ministry costs sooner, there are some money boxes still available.

Unfortunately, our offertory income is significantly down on budget, and without major fundraising this financial year, we are already \$3,000 in the red from Oct 21 to end March 22.

We are intending to hold a **Book Fair** in January 23, and ARE now collecting books, CDs and DVDs. Please drop off on the back verandah of the hall.

Celebrating Reconciliation Week 2022 at The Abbey

Gathering Yarning Telling Stories Eucharist
Sharing Lunch Together

With Rev Canon Aunty Phyllis Andy and Rev Kathy Dalton

1-25 First Parade Raymond Island 3880

12 noon, Friday 3 June 2022

ALL WELCOME

Please RSVP info@theabbey.org.au

@ The Abbey Raymond Island

We acknowledge the Gunaikurnai people as the original custodians of the land on which The Abbey now stands and pay our respects to Elders—past, present and emerging.

The 10 am service each week is live streamed.

(Search *St Paul’s Cathedral Sale* ***when in*** YouTube)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrLG94vHT28kEG4Ghd80PhQ/videos?view=57>

Meditation is on Monday to Friday on line and in person in the cathedral on Mondays at 4.15pm

Internet Bank Transfer: Cathedral’s ministry and mission

BSB 013-795 Account no: 4962-98866 Ref: Offering etc.

Internet Bank Transfer: St Paul’s Building Fund (‘Fill the gap’)

BSB 705 077 Acc no: 000 409 69 NO reference needed

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Mothering Sunday by Malcolm Guite

At last, in spite of all, a recognition,
For those who loved and laboured for so long,
Who brought us, through that labour, to fruition
To flourish in the place where we belong.
A thanks to those who stayed and did the raising,
Who buckled down and did the work of two,
Whom governments have mocked instead of praising,
Who hid their heart-break and still struggled through,
The single mothers forced onto the edge
Whose work the world has overlooked, neglected,
Invisible to wealth and privilege,
But in whose lives the kingdom is reflected.
Now into Christ our mother church we bring them,
Who shares with them the birth-pangs of His Kingdom.

A Prayer of Blessing for All Mothers

Dear Lord,

 bless every mother and every grandmother
 with the finest of your spiritual blessings today.

Confirm in her heart and spirit the work of her hands
and the love that she has so freely given to those children under Your care.

 Validate her worth daily

 so she has no reason to doubt whether she is loved,
valued, and cherished in the eyes of her Heavenly Father. **Amen**